GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Agriculture and Cooperation Department –Eruvaka Programme on June 9th, 2017 at Anantapur- Providing Special package to the farmers to cultivate recommended alternate crops instead of Cotton – Orders- Issued.

AGRICULTURE & COOPERATION (AGRI.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 514 Dated: 24-08-2017.

Read :

From the Special Commissioner of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur, letter No. NFSM/ 01/2017, dated:12.06.2017.

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ORDER:

In the circumstances reported by the Special Commissioner of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur in the letter read above, Government after careful examination of the matter, hereby provide the following special package to the farmers for encouraging them to cultivate recommended alternate crops instead of Cotton. The budget requirement of Rs.53.50 Crores for the above shall be met from within the allocated budget, by way of re-appropriation.

SPECIAL PACKAGE:

1. 75 % subsidy on cost of alternate crop seeds.
2. Subsidy @ Rs. 500 per ha for one weedicide spray for weed control in alternate crop grown.
3. Subsidy @ Rs. 1000 per ha for two plant protection sprays (Rs 500 per ha for each spray) in alternate crop grown (or) pheromone traps (or) sticky traps.
4. Assurance from the Government for procurement with a bonus of Rs.200 per quintal over Minimum Support Price of alternate crops (Pulses, Oilseeds & Millets) grown instead of cotton in light soils.
5. The special package is applicable only to the farmers to grow other recommended alternate crops instead of cotton in light soils.
6. The farmers who traditionally have taken up cotton in light soils and now diverted to recommended alternate crops instead of cotton are to be covered in this package.
7. The inputs under this package should be distributed through e-Pos or DBT only

2. The Special Commissioner of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur shall take further necessary action in the matter accordingly. He is also requested to send necessary proposal to Government for reappropriations of funds to an amount of Rs.53.50 Crores for meeting the expenditure to the above special package.

3. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance (FMU-GAD.II) Department vide their U.O.No.38027/104/FMU-GAD.II/2017, dated:27.06.2017.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

B.RAJSEKHAR
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (AGRI) (FAC)

To
The Special Commissioner of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur.
Copy to: The General Administration (Cabinet) Department.
P.S. to Hon'ble Minister (Agri.)
P.S. to Special Chief Secretary (Agri.).
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SECTION OFFICER